

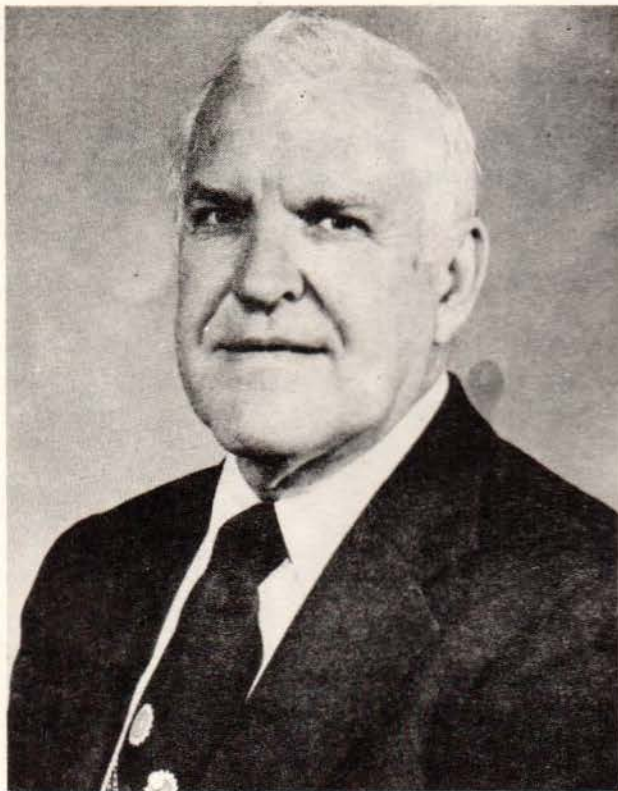
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*Anniversary Issue  
Souvenir Program  
1928 - 1978*

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

We extend to you a cordial Welcome to the East Central Junior College campus and to athletic contests of this 50th Year of the institution.

As one of Mississippi's Public Junior Colleges, East Central serves Leake, Neshoba, Newton, Scott and Winston counties and is constantly striving to serve the students of this area in both their academic and Vocational-Technical needs.

I know that you join us in hoping for a victorious season for our teams.

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Tennis Coach

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# COACHES AT ECJC - 1928 -1978

1928-29	Football - Late in Season - Dick Baxter, Coach
1929-30	Football - Dick Baxter
1930-31	G. Basketball - Dick Baxter; B. Basketball - Dick Baxter; Football - Dick Baxter
1931-32	G. Basketball - Mrs. Walter Dell Davis; B. Basketball - Hunter Denson, Bill McCain; Football - Dick Baxter
1932-33	G. Basketball - Dick Baxter; B. Basketball - Dick Baxter; Football - Dick Baxter
1933-34	G. Basketball - Dick Baxter; B. Basketball - Dick Baxter; Football - William "Pat" Wilson, Frank M. Cross
1934-35	G. Basketball - Marguerite Dacey; B. Basketball - Kinard Austin; Football - Pat Wilson, Kinard Austin, Frank M. Cross
1935-36	G. Basketball - Marguerite Dacey; B. Basketball - Kinard Austin; Football - Pat Wilson, Kinard Austin, Frank M. Cross
1936-37	G. Basketball - Gladys Kirkwood; B. Basketball - Kinard Austin; Football - Pat Wilson, Kinard Austin, Frank M. Cross
1937-38	G. Basketball - Gladys Kirkwood; B. Basketball - Polie Sullivan; Baseball - Pat Wilson; Football - Polie Sullivan, Frank Cross
1938-39	G. Basketball - Elise McCallum; B. Basketball - Polie Sullivan; Baseball - Pat Wilson; Football - Polie Sullivan, Frank M. Cross
1939-40	G. Basketball - Elise McCullum; B. Basketball - Polie Sullivan; Baseball - Polie Sullivan; Football - Polie Sullivan, Frank M. Cross
1940-41	G. Basketball - Elise McCallum; B. Basketball - Polie Sullivan; Football - Polie Sullivan, Pat Wilson, Frank Cross
1941-42	G. Basketball - Elise McCallum; B. Basketball - Polie Sullivan; Football - Polie Sullivan, Frank M. Cross
1942-45	<b>NO TEAMS</b>
1945-46	G. Basketball - Betty Short; B. Basketball - Robert James; Football - Frank M. Cross
1946-47	G. Basketball - Berkley Lyons; B. Basketball - Carrol Shows; Football - Carrol Shows and Fred J. Dixon
1947-48	G. Basketball - M. L. Vines; B. Basketball - W. A. Vincent; Football - M. L. Vines and W. A. Vincent; Track - J. O. Evans
1948-49	G. Basketball - M. L. Vines; B. Basketball - W. A. Vincent; Football - Hillery Horn and W. A. Vincent; Track - J. W. Evans; Tennis - F. E. Leatherwood
1949-50	G. Basketball - Hillery Horn; B. Basketball - W. A. Vincent; Football - Hillery Horn and John Grace; Track - J. O. Evans; Tennis - F. E. Leatherwood
1950-51	G. Basketball - Eunice Eilau; B. Basketball - W. A. Vincent; Football - Hillery Horn and John Grace; Tennis - F. E. Leatherwood
1951-52	G. Basketball - Eunice Eilau; B. Basketball - W. A. Vincent; Football - John Grace and Mayo "Chubby" Ellis
1952-53	G. Basketball - Eunice Eilau; B. Basketball - W. A. Vincent; Football - John Grace and Billy Ray Lindsey
1953-54	G. Basketball - Clayton Blount; B. Basketball - Clayton Blount; Football - John Grace, Billy Ray Lindsey, Clayton Blount
1954-55	B. Basketball - Clayton Blount; Football - Billy Ray Lindsey and Clayton Blount
1955-56	B. Basketball - Denver Brackeen; Football - Clayton Blount and Dudley Miller; Baseball - Denver Brackeen
1956-57	Boys' Basketball - Denver Brackeen; Football - Clayton Blount and Bob Fuerst
1957-58	B. Basketball - Denver Brackeen; Football - Clayton Blount and Tom Cheney; Baseball - Tom Cheney
1958-59	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Denver Brackeen; Football - Bobby Oswalt and Tom Cheney; Tennis - Lucille Wood; Baseball - Tom Cheney



1959-60	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Denver Brackeen; Football - Bobby Oswalt, Tom Cheney; Tennis - Lucille Wood; Baseball - Tom Cheney
1960-61	B. Basketball - Denver Brackeen; Football - Bobby Oswalt, Tom Cheney and Dewey Partridge; Tennis - Lucille Wood; Baseball - Tom Cheney
1961-62	B. Basketball - Denver Brackeen; Football - Bobby Oswalt, Tommy Guthrie; Tennis - Lucille Wood; Baseball - Tommy Guthrie
1962-63	B. Basketball - Denver Brackeen; Football - Tommy Guthrie, Dan Chatwood and Thomas Smith
1963-64	B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Tommy Guthrie and Dan Chatwood
1964-65	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Tommy Guthrie and Dan Chatwood; Tennis - Lucille Wood
1965-66	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Dan Chatwood and Hansel King
1966-67	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Dan Chatwood and Ken Pouncey; Tennis - Lucille Wood
1967-68	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Ken Pouncey and Billy Baucum; Tennis - Lucille Wood
1968-69	B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Ken Pouncey and Billy Baucum; Baseball - Billy Baucum; Tennis - George Abraham
1969-70	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Ken Pouncey and Billy Baucum; Baseball - Billy Baucum; Tennis - Lucille Wood
1970-71	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Ken Pouncey and Willie Coats; Baseball - Willie Coats; Tennis - Lucille Wood
1971-72	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Ken Pouncey and Willie Coats; Baseball - Willie Coats; Tennis - Lucille Wood
1972-73	B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Ken Pouncey and Willie Coats; Baseball - Willie Coats; Tennis - Lucille Wood
1973-74	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Ken Pouncey and Willie Coats; Baseball - Willie Coats; Tennis - Lucille Wood
1974-75	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Ken Pouncey and Willie Coats; Baseball - Willie Coats; Tennis - Lucille Wood
1975-76	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Joe Clark; Football - Ken Pouncey and Willie Coats; Baseball - Willie Coats; Tennis - Lucille Wood
1976-77	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Herman Robinson; Football - Ken Pouncey and Willie Coats; Baseball - Willie Coats; Tennis - Joe Clark
1977-78	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Herman Robinson; Football - Ken Pouncey and Chris Harris; Baseball - Herman Robinson; Tennis - Joe Clark
1978-79	G. Basketball - Lucille Wood; B. Basketball - Herman Robinson; Football - Ken Pouncey and David Bradberry; Baseball - David Bradberry; Tennis - Joe Clark



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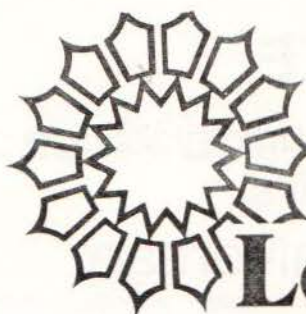
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## WILDCAT TEAM, 1928

### GETS ATHLETICS OFF TO LIVELY START

Football, the activity which traditionally offers the occasion for welcoming back old grads for one grand homecoming reunion, is one of the oldest traditions at East Central.

In the year 1928, when twenty ambitious people from Newton County started this, our college, East Central Junior College, football was made one of the outstanding campus activities right from the beginning. In its beginning, however, it was wholly a voluntary project. The boys got together and formed a wildcat team. Since the school wasn't yet accredited, according to the members of that original team, they played anybody and everybody ranging through high schools, junior colleges and senior colleges.

The first local junior college team was composed of five college boys and fifteen high school boys. The college boys were Selby May, Morris Wall, Spurgeon Lewis, J. D. Harris and Aubry Vaughn, who were coached by Dick Baxter.

Members of this first team, four of whom still live in the immediate vicinity of the college, give an interesting account of the experiences of those early days.

The Wildcats won over the Junior College which then existed at Carthage and in this game J. D. Harris suffered a broken nose. Also on this day a balloon was released, the first one that most of both the players and fans had ever seen, so the game became a secondary event in the interest of both teams and fans and was postponed until a later hour.

The record made by those athletes of the '20's might challenge the achievement of our present-day team. Poplarville was considered the state champs in 1928, but they won over the Wildcats by only one touchdown. Those Bilbo boys must have been tough even in those days.

Hattiesburg Boys' School beat the Wildcats by only one point - the score - 7 to 6. In this game something happened which all the boys on that team remember. Perry (Noah) Vance's shoulder was knocked out of place three times. Billy Aubry Vaughn replaced it after two doctors failed. They said that Perry cried, cussed and played right on.

Ellisville has been a great rival even since that first year. One of the players has said, "They finally won by the help of the twelfth and thirteenth man, — the referee and head linesman."

Millsaps, being a senior college of course, offered unusually strong resistance for the inexperienced team, but won over the Wildcats only by a score of seven to zero. This was a hard fought game by the Wildcats.

The Wildcats beat Clarke College thirteen to seven in the same year.

Ever since 1928, the E.C.J.C. football school spirit has lived. There have been many, many brave Warriors who have fought and bled for this their school so that the '51 Warriors who are being featured in the present homecoming festivities can go into the game inspired by the assurance that they are carrying on a tradition worthy of their best efforts to maintain.



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## 1939 Football Team

Mississippi Junior College Champions 1939

The war clouds formed on the 1939 football world and the Decatur Warriors poured a steady rain of defeats upon their ten opponents to chalk up 243 points against their opponents' 25. The warriors tucked away in their treasure chest the 1939 Mississippi Junior College Football Championship.

The Decatur lads led by coach "Polie" Sullivan have been undefeated for two successive seasons, with only two scoreless ties, from last season to mar their nearly perfect record for the two years. They never know what it is to stop. They just keep on fighting.

### Football Schedule - 1939

Opponent	Our Score	Their Score
Moorehead	22	7
L. S. T.	47	0
Wesson	24	0
Poplarville	18	6
Marion Military Inst.	27	0
Raymond (Homecoming)	20	0
Summit	12	6
Ellisville	6	0
Scooba	48	6
Little L.S.U.	19	6
	243	31



# 1950 Football Team

Lions Bowl Champs - ECJC 14 Perkinson 12

Tobacco Bowl Champs - ECJC 19 South Georgia 14 (Game played at Valdosta, Ga.)

**Team Memebers:** George Stone, Eugene Cobb, Ray Warren, Charlie Weeks, Virgil Aubrey, Milton Johnson, Panama City, Florida; George Bush, "Goose" Williams, Tip Canady, Sylacauga, Alabama; Jackie Pope, Florence, Alabama; Bill Addonizio, Brooklyn, New York; Earl Williams, Lipscomb, Alabama; C. G. Rives, Salis, Alabama; Bill Waldron, North Tazewell, Virginia; Joe Blanco, Birmingham, Alabama; Billy "Tony" Harber, Trenton, Tennessee; Ed-die Ware, Carthage; Larry Cooper, Union; D. A. Wallace, Jacksonville, Florida; John Meaders, Newton; Charles Barham, Carthage; W. S. Donald, Kosciusko; Jack Mayo, Decatur; Jack Taylor, Morton; Billy Barnes, Noxapater; Allan Webb, Philadelphia; Billy Joe Clymer, Dyersburg, Tennessee; Carlton McMillin, Jack Dempsey, Chester Herrington, Sam Fulton, Dwight Adkinson, and Wyatt Davis, Louisville. Coaches Hillery Horn and John Grace.

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Denver Brackeen - Hickory - Basketball All-  
American 1953

Howard Sessum - Harperville - Basketball All-  
American 1953

Wayne Tullas - Arlington - Basketball All-  
American 1955

Wilmer James - Union - All-American Football  
Game 1956

Jerry Hall - Atlanta, Georgia - All-American  
Football Game 1956

Kenneth Dunigan - Decatur - All-American  
Football Game 1957

Tommy McCullough - Philadelphia - All-  
American Football Game 1957

Billy Wayne Baucum - Newton - All-American  
Football 1960 - All-American Football Game  
1960

Robert Thomas - Philadelphia - All-American  
Basketball Game 1962

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1965 - Jerry Fulcher - Louisville  
1966 - William Amis - Sebastopol  
1967 - Keith Holt - Hickory  
1968 - Steve Nelson - Neshoba Central  
1969 - Ronnie Risher - Newton  
1970 - Billy Rowzee - Decatur  
1971 - Bill Barham - Carthage  
1972 - Freddie Bagle - Forest  
1973 - Guy Nowell - Philadelphia  
1974 - Gene Reed - Louisville  
1975 - William D. Myers - Robert E. Lee  
Montgomery, AL  
1976 - Alan Baker - Brewton, AL  
1977 - Cliff Jernigan - Louisville  
1978 - Steve Breland - Philadelphia

## **State Tennis Champs**

Lamar Buntyn - Morton - B Singles - 1961  
Lamar Buntyn - Morton - A Singles - 1962  
Tommy Irby - Morton - A Singles - 1968  
Wanda Elliott - Neshoba Central - B Singles -  
1968  
Julie Latham - Morton - B Singles - 1977  
Tommy McCool - Louisville & Charles McAdory -  
Louisville - A Doubles - 1977

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1963-64 - Men's Basketball Team - Itawamba  
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1965 - Men's Basketball Team - Decatur  
Jaycees Invitational Champs

1966 - Boy's Basketball Team won the Holmes  
Invitational Tournament

Arno Vincent - ECJC 1936-37. All State Foot-  
ball. University of Southern Mississippi Cap-  
tain of the team. Played in the first football  
game he ever saw.

Homecoming - 1978 - 50th Year  
ECJC 43 - Hinds 13

1931 - Men's Basketball Team - Junior College  
State Champs

1946 - For the first time in the history of the  
school, East Central will play night football.  
The first game of the season will be with  
Poplarville under the lights.

George Smith - Louisville - ECJC 1946. Univer-  
sity of Idaho. Associated Press "End of the  
Week." Blocked a punt and recovered two  
fumbles in a single game.

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1950 - "Cowboy" Roberts - Louisville - State  
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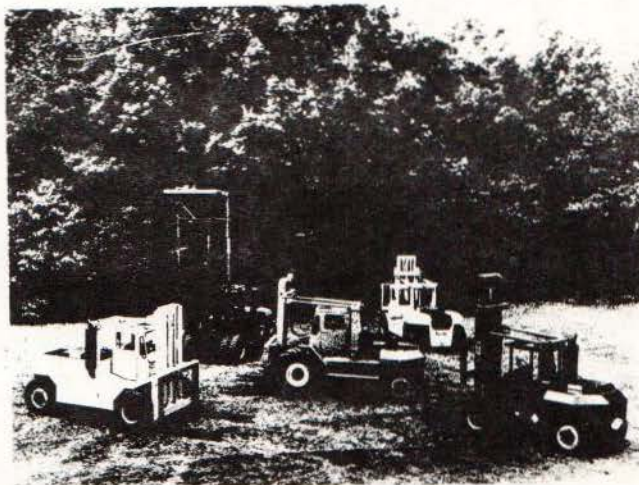
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 3rd Row: Lucille Wood, Coach; Charlene Jones, Forest; Irma Dean Johnson, Scott Central; Mona Tucker, Forest; Jo Ann Darby, South Leake, Mgr.;  
 Skippy Latham, Sebastopol, Mgr.





**LUCILLE WOOD, COACH**

Miss Wood is a native of Louisville, Miss. and graduated from Louisville High School. She holds the AA Degree from East Central Junior College and the BS and MA Degrees from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Miss Wood has been active in many organizations. She has served as president of the East Central Faculty Club, The Mississippi Junior College Women Coaches Association, The ECJC Alumni Association and was chosen East Central's Alumnus of the Year in 1965. She is also an active member of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Since basketball was organized on a limited basis in 1966, her teams have achieved a 118-53 record. Included in these games are three State Championships and three trips to Regional Tournaments.

Last year Miss Wood served as a coach for the first Junior College All-Star Game. She was among the twenty-two finalists in the nation for Junior College Coach of the Year.

## WARRIORETTES



**ESTHER THOMAS**  
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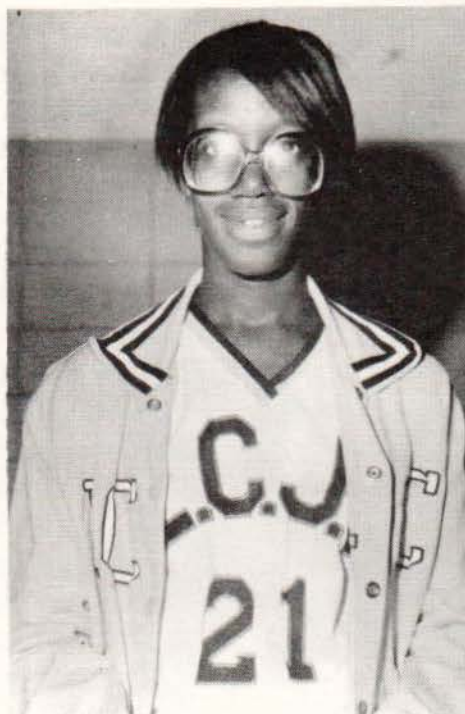


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- 1966 - Linda Chandler - Louisville; Wanda Elliott - Neshoba Central; Sue Peoples - Madden; Mary Jane Williams - Beulah Hubbard; Sandy Puckett - Scott Central; Pam Pryor - Forest; Richard Harris - Hickory and Hickory Coach
- 1967 - Mary Jane Allen - Philadelphia; Marianne Matthews - Forest; Grady Johnson - Hickory and Enterprise Coach
- 1968 - Deborah Norwood - Louisville
- 1969 - Carol Ming - Louisville; Sandy Donald - Morton
- 1970 - Betty Nester - Lake; Judy Crain - Morton; Van Chancellor - Louisville and Horn Lake Coach; Sherrell Marshall - Philadelphia and Petal Coach
- 1971 - Rita Gibbon - Hickory
- 1972 - Rene Willis - Neshoba Central
- 1973 - Donna Pearson - Decatur
- 1974 - Evelyn Bender - Newton; Rita Barber - Hickory; Richard Harris - Hickory and Hickory Coach
- 1975 - Jeannette Barnes - Carthage; Julie Latham - Morton
- 1976 - Charlene Jones - Forest; Carla Halley - Morton
- 1977 - Robert Dorman - Walnut Grove - South Leake Coach; Mike Waldrop - Morton - Senatobia Coach
- 1978 - Joyce Watkins - Lake; Bobbie Collier - South Leake; Esther Thomas - Louisville; Haywood Reeves - Walnut Grove and Forest Coach





**JO LYNN ELKINS**  
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Morton



**CHERYL GIBBON**  
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Noxapater

## CHANGING TIMES, SPORTS FACILITIES NOW AND THEN

As time passes, all aspects of a college change to some degree. The faculty changes; the academic life changes; and so does the athletic program. When football was first played at East Central, the teams met in a lined off cow pasture which was located where the Vocational-Technical Complex now stands. This pasture was later graded, sodded; and with the addition of bleachers served as the football field until the field was moved to its present location.

The baseball field was located where Neshoba and Scott Halls now stand. The present baseball field was constructed shortly after the completion of the new gymnasium.

East Central now has two gymnasiums. The old gym which is located on the "front campus" was for many years the only brick gymnasium in east central Mississippi. This gym served for about twenty-five years (or more) as the location for the State B-BB High School Championship games.

The football and basketball dressing rooms are now used as a billiards room, and the girls' old dressing room is now the college bookstore. The old gym is now in constant use and is where all indoor intramural sports are played.

Tennis courts have been located at one time or another all over the campus. The original courts were dirt ones and were located where Newsome Hall now stands. Two concrete courts were constructed where the Fine Arts Building is now located and were used until the new courts were built on the extreme east side of the campus. Building the new courts helped clear up a campus problem, for the area where they are located was for many years a damp weed patch.

At present, athletic facilities at East Central are good and are certainly a vast improvement over what existed a scant twenty years ago.





**JOYCE WATKINS**  
Fresh. No. 30  
Lake



**MONA TUCKER**  
Fresh. No. 32  
Forest



**IRMA DEAN JOHNSON**  
Soph. No. 33  
Scott Central

**1936 State Champs in Women's Basketball**

**Members:** Edna Ruth Adams, Inez Long, Tommye Williamson, Ollie Sue Adams, Pearl Shumaker, Marguerite Miller, Jackie Burks, Lucille Dugham, Lena Williamson, Bonita Pew, Nellie Herrington, Nan Houston - Coach Margurite Dacy.

**1937 - Women's Basketball**  
**Second in State - Record 21-2-1**

**1954 Warriorettes - Second in the State**

**Members:** Shirley Jones, Forest; Billie Ann Mills, Walnut Grove; Loretta Fox, Arlington; Jackie Staton, Walnut Grove; Shirley Fanler, House; Bobbie Ann Kilpatrick; Philadelphia; Juanita Castles, Hickory; Jackie Benner, Newton; Madeline McKay, Bond; Billie Barnes, Longino; and Barbara Davidson, Union; Coach Clayton Blount.

**1968 - Women's Basketball Team**  
**ECJC Tournament Champs**

**1970 Women's Basketball Team**  
**Hinds Junior College Tournament - Second Place**  
**William Carey Tournament - Second Place**  
**Sportsmanship Trophy - William Carey Tournament**  
**State Champions**

**Members:** Debbie Harvey, Forest; Deborah Norwood, Louisville; Sandy Donald, Morton; Linda Truesdale, Carthage; Wanda Blackwell, Union; Carolyn Murphy, Carthage; Gail Cumberland, Neshoba Central; Amelia Kennedy, Louisville; Rosalyn Rogers, Morton; Carol Ming, Louisville; Ginger Swain, Union; Moralyn Anderson, Bay Springs; Susan Shumaker, Morton; Lucille Wood, Coach.

**1973 - Women's Basketball Team**  
**State Champions - played in Region Tournament**  
**at West Georgia**

**Members:** Annette Duncan, Neshoba Central; Deborah Shoemaker, Lake; Jo Munn, Decatur; Gail Keller, Beulah Hubbard; Rita Gibbon, Hickory; Billie McGory, Lake; Sylvia Culberson, Neshoba Central; Sherry Wilcher, Carthage; Renee Willis, Neshoba Central; Deborah Luck, Mgr., Lucille Wood, Coach.





**BRENDA BILLIE**  
FRESH. NO. 10  
CHOCTAW CENTRAL



**KATHY KEETON**  
SOPH. NO. 31  
MORTON



**JO ANN DARBY**  
Fresh. Manager  
South Leake



**SKIPPY LATHAM**  
Fresh. Manager  
Sebastopol

**1974 - Women's Basketball**  
Gulf Coast Invitational Champs

**1975-76 Women's Basketball Team**  
ECJC Tournament Champs  
North Junior College Division Champs  
State Champs

**Members:** Jeanette Barnes, Carthage; Evelyn Bender, Newton; Donna Carter, Noxapater; Freda Jo Crotwell, Morton; Vicky Cumberland, Edinburg; Barbara Harrison, Beulah Hubbard; Cheryl Hicks, Hickory; Runnie Hill, Carthage; Julie Latham, Morton; Diana Lyons, Neshoba Central; Debbie Pearson, Hickory; Linda Quinn, Noxapater; Brenda Haralson, Scott Central; Bonnie and Mike Hatcher, Managers, Naniah Waiya; Lucille Wood, Coach.

**1976-77 Girls' Basketball**  
2nd in the State

**Members:** Tammie Tadlock, Morton; Sherry Rodger, Noxapater; Runnie Hill, Carthage; Karen Hicks, Hickory; Diana Lyons, Neshoba Central; Glynda Watson, Louisville; Debbie Pearson, Hickory; Vicky Cumberland, Edinburg; Pattie Stone, Edinburg; Julie Latham, Morton; Sheila Ward, Leake Academy; Jeannette Barnes, Carthage; Managers, Bonnie Hatcher, Naniah Waiya and Herman Clark, Neshoba Central; Coach, Lucille Wood.

**1977 - Women's Basketball - Second place in the State**  
Went to Region VII Tournament in Cleveland, Tenn.

**1978 - Women's Basketball Team - Second in South**  
Division Tournament, Third in State and Played  
in Region VII Tournament in Cleveland, Tenn.



# EAST CENTRAL JUNIOR COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER 1978-79

NO	NAME	CLASS	HEIGHT	HIGH SCHOOL	COACH
10	Brenda Billie	Fresh.	5'1"	Choctaw Central	Willis Tullas
12	Ester Thomas	Fresh.	5'2"	Louisville	Allan Goodin
13	Bobbie Collier	Fresh.	5'5"	South Leake	Robert Dorman
14	Velma Smith	Fresh.	5'7"	Union	Mike Noblitt
15	Carla Halley	Soph.	5'9"	Morton	Ray Riley
21	Faye Russell	Fresh.	5'5"	Union	Mike Noblitt
22	Charlene Jones	Soph.	6'1"	Forest	Haywood Reeves
23	Jo Lynn Elkins	Fresh.	5'5"	Morton	Ray Riley
24	Cheryl Gibbon	Fresh.	5'8"	Hickory	Richard Harris
25	Faye Quinn	Fresh.	5'8"	Noxapater	Johnny Pair
30	Joyce Watkins	Fresh.	5'8"	Lake	Bernie Kirkland
31	Kathy Keeton	Soph.	5'11"	Morton	Ray Riley
32	Mona Tucker	Fresh.	5'10"	Forest	Haywood Reeves
33	Irma D. Johnson	Soph.	6'2"	Scott Central	Sammy Pace

**Managers:** Skippy Latham - Freshman - Sebastopol  
Jo Ann Darby - Freshman - South Leake

**Coach:** Lucille Wood



# EAST CENTRAL JUNIOR COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER 1978-79

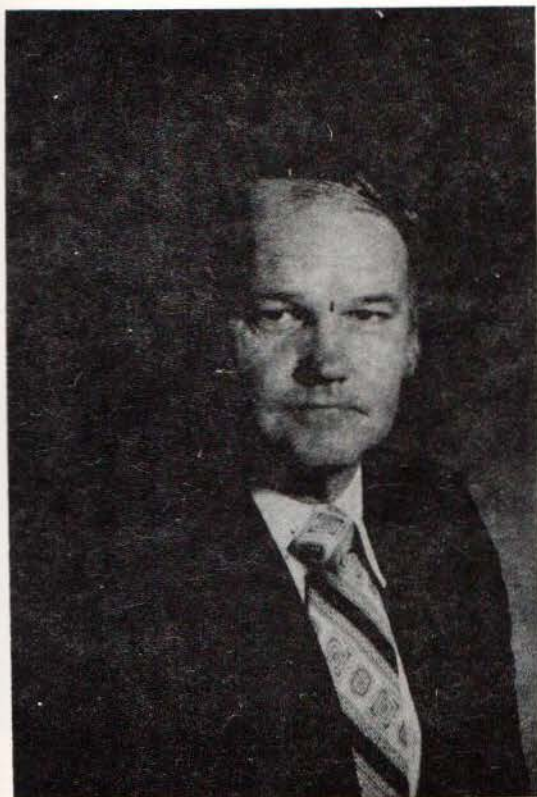
NO.	NAME	HEIGHT	CLASS	SCHOOL
20	Garry Brazzle	6'3"	Soph.	Neshoba Central
22	James Duce	6'8"	Soph.	Chattahoochee, FL
12	Darrel Hoskin	6'3"	Fresh.	Neshoba Central
21	Randolph Lyons	6'4"	Soph.	Neshoba Central
25	Billy Joe Patrick	6'5"	Soph.	Decatur
14	Gary Patrick	5'9"	Fresh.	Forest
23	Shelton Ricks	6'5"	Fresh.	Edinburg
10	Phil Shepard	5'10"	Soph.	Leake Academy
24	Richard Stewart	6'6"	Fresh.	Chickasaw, AL
30	Ronald Townsend	6'6"	Fresh.	Tallulah, LA
15	Barry Upton	6'4"	Soph.	Leake Academy
11	Clayton Whitehead	6'3"	Fresh.	Newton Academy
<b>MGR.</b>	Hilton White			Edinburg
<b>MGR.</b>	Daniel Amis			Decatur
<b>Colors</b>	White - Old Gold - Black			
<b>Coach:</b>	Herman Robinson			





1st Row L to R: Clayton Whitehead, Darrel Hoskins, Gary Brazzle, Randolph Lyons, Phil Shepard, Gary Patrick, 2nd Row L to R: Hilton White, Mgr. Shelton Ricks, Ronald Townsend, James Duce, Ricky Stewart, Billy Patrick, Barry Upton, Daniel Amis, Mgr.





**HERMAN ROBINSON**

Herman Robinson, a native of Chunky, Mississippi, graduated from Hickory High School. He holds degrees from East Central Junior College, Mississippi College, and William Carey.

Since 1955, he has been active in coaching having a won and lost record of 573-213. Before assuming the coaching duties at East Central two years ago, Coach Robinson was head basketball coach at St. Martin High School in Biloxi, Mississippi.

## WARRIORS



**JAMES DUCE**  
Soph. No. 22  
Chattahoochee, Fla.



**PHIL SHEPARD**  
Soph. No. 10  
Leake Academy



**BARRY UPTON**  
Soph. No. 15  
Leake Academy

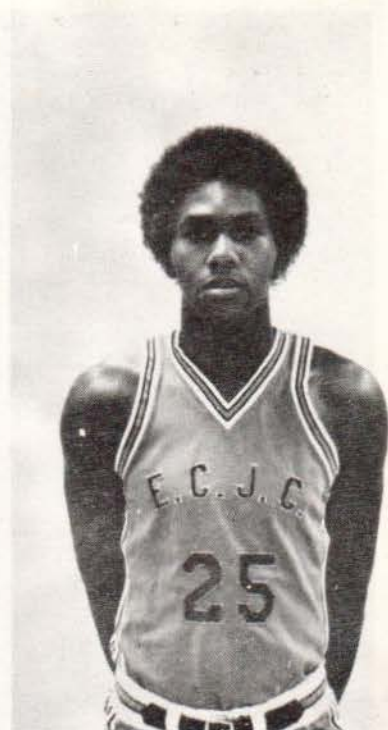




**GARRY BRAZZLE**  
Soph. No. 20  
Neshoba Central



**RANDOLPH LYONS**  
Soph. No. 21  
Neshoba Central



**BILLY JOE PATRICK**  
Soph. No. 25  
Decatur

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## MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF COACHES ALL-STAR BOYS' BASKETBALL PLAYERS AND ALL-STAR COACHES WHO ATTENDED EAST CENTRAL

- 1955 Danny Clark, Hickory
- 1956 Robert Luck, Philadelphia; Clyde Mills, Forest
- 1957 Terry Clay, Philadelphia; David Singleton, Forest
- 1958 Sherrell Marshall, Philadelphia; Brooks Cox, Sebastopol; Eddie Castles, Hickory (Greenville Coach)
- 1959 Tom Crosswell, Philadelphia; Clyde Muse, Sebastopol and Starkville Coach; Howard Sessums, Harperville (Pelahatchie Coach)
- 1960 Kellis Madison, Neshoba Central; Robert Thomas, Philadelphia; Billy Ray Smith, Morton (Clinton Coach)
- 1963 Dwight Cheatham, Philadelphia; Wayne Tullas, Arlington (Lake Coach)
- 1964 Terry Ward, Philadelphia
- 1965 Mac Hall, Neshoba Central; Pete Crocker, Sebastopol (Pelahatchie Coach)
- 1967 Jack Skinner, Philadelphia; Larry Gressett, Hickory; Jackie Ethridge, Collinsville (West Lauderdale Coach)
- 1971 Cecil Muse, Union
- 1972 Lowery Robinson, Philadelphia (Houston Coach)
- 1973 John White, Philadelphia (Warren Central Coach)





**DARREL HOSKIN**  
Fresh. No. 12  
Neshoba Central



**GARY PATRICK**  
Fresh. No. 14  
Forest



**SHELTON RICKS**  
Fresh. No. 23  
Edinburg

**1953 Men's Basketball Team**  
**North Mississippi Junior College Champs**  
**State Champions**  
**Region VII Champions**  
**4th in the Nation**

**Team Members were:**

Herman Robinson, Jack Smith, Edgar Castle, Bob Lassetter, John Reagan, J. P. Hurst, Denver Brackeen, Charlie Thrash, Howard Sessum and Bill Livengood. Arno Vincent Coach

In 1953 10,109 basketball tickets were sold for home games at East Central. (does not include student and faculty passes)

1953 Howard Sessums, Harperville, and Denver Brackeen, Hickory were chosen Junior College All-Americans.

During the National Basketball Tournament at Hutchinson, Kansas, Denver Brackeen scored 134 points in the four games played by East Central and set a new tournament scoring record. He also set an individual record in the number of points scored by any player during a game which was 53 points out of which 24 were field goals, also a record. He was chosen National Junior College Player of the Year.





**RICHARD STEWART**  
Fresh. No. 24  
Chickasaw, Ala.



**RONALD TOWNSEND**  
Fresh. No. 30  
Tallulah, La.



**CLAYTON WHITEHEAD**  
Fresh. No. 11  
Newton Academy

**1954 Boys Basketball Team**  
**Runner-up North Mississippi**  
**Region VII Runner-up**  
**Lions Bowl Champs**

**Members:**

Morris Hurst, Hickory; Joe Lee Johnson, Decatur; Leo Russell, Harperville; Darrell Thomas, Philadelphia; John Reagan, Union; Henry Crocker, Sebastopol; Therrell Luke, Philadelphia; Willard May, Beulah Hubbard; Wayne Tullas, Arlington; Mel Carpenter, North Carolina; James Griffin, Walnut Grove; A. G. Robinson, Hickory; Keta Mosley, Philadelphia; Charles Thrash, Sebastopol; Jerry Williamson, Collinsville; Harold Smith, Coldwater; Joe Clark, Lynwood - Coach Clayton Blount.



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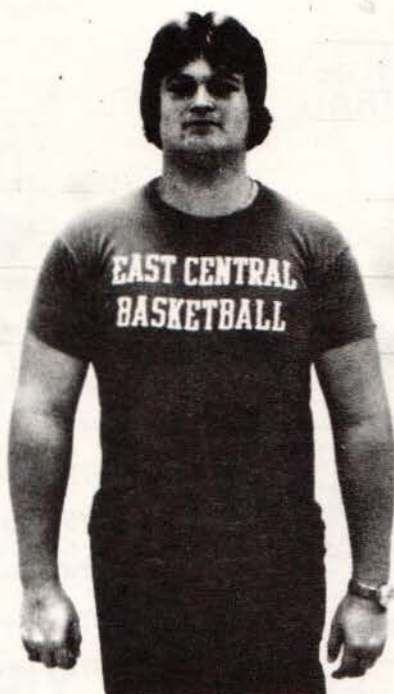
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**HILTON WHITE**  
Soph. Mgr.  
Edinburg



**DANIEL AMIS**  
Fresh. Mgr.  
Decatur

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**1955 Men's Basketball**  
**Region VII Champs**  
**4th in the Nation**  
**Season Record - 30 wins, 3 defeats**

**Team Members:**

Darrell Thomas, Leo Russell, Henry Crocker, Joe Lee Johnson, Morris Hurst, James Griffin, Wayne Tullas, Johnny Alexander, Joe Clark, A. G. Robinson, Glenn Miles and Tom Burt - Managers, Clayton Blount - Coach.

**1955** Pee Wee Crocker sent the Warriors to Hutchinson, Kansas, to the National Junior College play off. With three seconds to go in the game, he made the only shot he attempted.

**1955** Wayne Tullas made Junior College All-American. Tullas broke the national record for free throws. He made 19 against Northwest Jr. College during regular season play.



**EARLINE WOOD  
ALUMNI MEMORIAL  
FOR WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

- 1965 Betty Tadlock - Forest
- 1966 Grace Lovorn - Thomastown
- 1967 Ann Reese - Neshoba Central
- 1968 Sandy Puckett - Scott Central
- 1969 Linda Chandler - Louisville
- 1970 Deborah Norwood - Louisville
- 1971 Debbie Harvey - Forest  
Wanda Blackwell - Union
- 1972 Glenda Watson - Morton
- 1973 Rita Gibbon - Hickory
- 1974 Annette Duncan - Neshoba Central
- 1975 Lynn Russell - Decatur
- 1976 Evelyn Bender - Newton
- 1977 Diana Lyons - Neshoba Central
- 1978 Tammie Tadlock - Morton

**HOWARD SESSUMS  
ALUMNI MEMORIAL  
FOR MENS' BASKETBALL**

- 1966 Terry Ward - Philadelphia
- 1967 Mac Hall - Neshoba Central
- 1968 Jerry Kitchens - Lena
- 1969 Larry Gressett - Hickory
- 1970 Glen Hitt - Philadelphia
- 1971 R. L. Gilmer - Sebastopol
- 1972 Dennis Walton - Edinburg
- 1973 John McFarland - Decatur
- 1974 David Blount - Decatur
- 1975 Keith Parker - Neshoba Central
- 1976 Morgan Brackeen - Decatur
- 1977 John Burks - South Leake
- 1978 James Duce - Chattahoochee, FL

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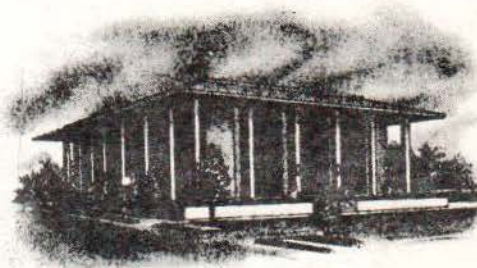
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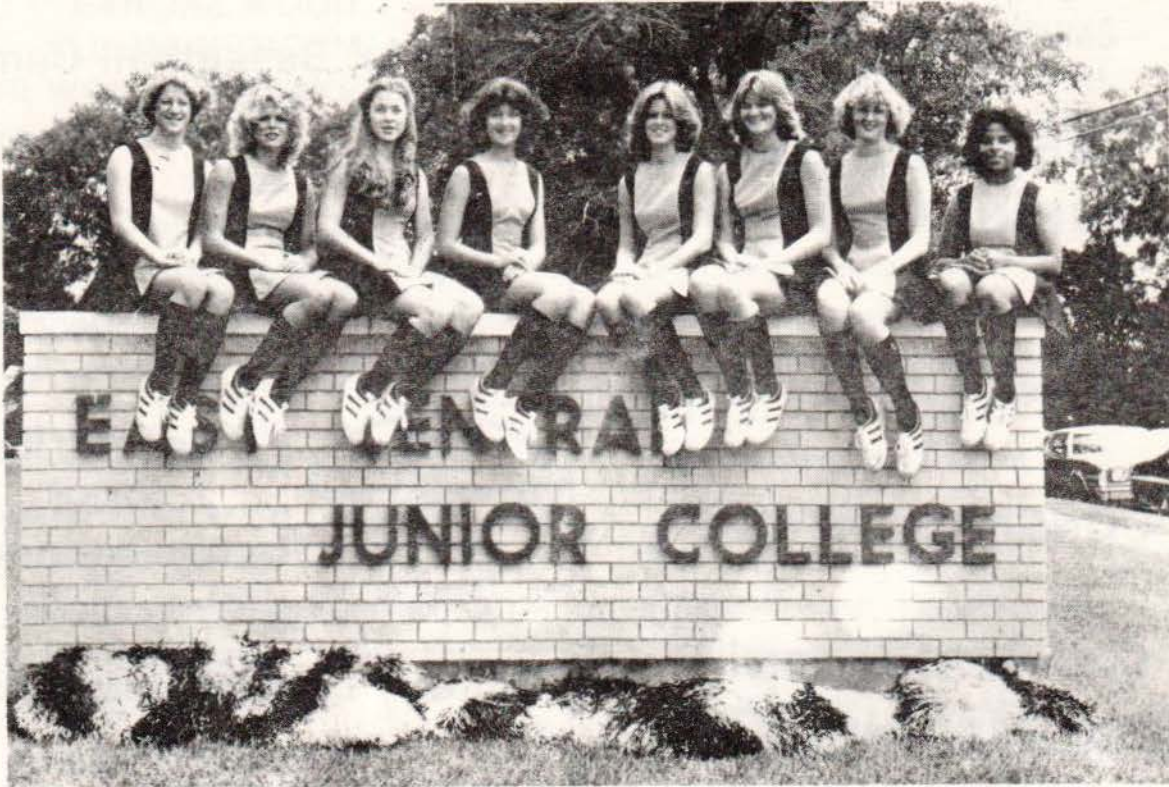
## **ECJC 10 - Delta 8 EXCHANGE BOWL 1965**

**Members:** Elton Bryan, Philadelphia; Richard Ward, Louisville; Keith Holt, Hickory; Barry Pace, Decatur; Ricky Peterson, Louisville; Joe Broussard, Richard Keeton, Morton; Leon Stuart, Morton; Harry McLemore, Philadelphia; Billy Ray Dill, Forest; Steve Richardson, Morton; Ed Amis, Sebastopol; Bobby Payne, Newton; Steve White, Louisville; Ed Williamson, Philadelphia; Henry Holley, Philadelphia; Ferrell Skinner, Philadelphia; Tommy Matthews, Forest; Bobby Fulcher, Louisville; Johnny Mac Wall, Decatur; Jackie Blackburn, Decatur; Albert Valentine, Decatur; James Burkes, Philadelphia; Billy Strum, Morton; Johnny Whitaker, Philadelphia; Neal Carson, Decatur; Bobby Jones, Philadelphia; Ed Rainer, Decatur; Jerry Brantley, Philadelphia; Charles Holley, Philadelphia; Rusty Barnett, Decatur; Bubba Bonds, Newton; Terry Haimes, Louisville; Billy Paul Davidson, Walnut Grove; Granville Freeman, Morton; Harry Barnes, Louisville, Trainer; James Baucum, Newton, Manager.

**Coaches: Dan Chatwood and Hansel King**



# ECJC CHEERLEADERS



**Lett to right:** Gwen Dickinson, Newton; Julie Wright, Louisville; Julie Goodwin, Headcheerleader, Newton; Rita Gail Smith, Union; Brenda Munn, Philadelphia; Malinda Roebuck, Union; Tamara Sammons, Louisville; Peggy Smith, Decatur.

Bruce Peterson, Speech instructor at East Central Junior College, has written a poem for every girls' game beginning with the 1972-73 season. This poem was written for the first game of the South Division Tournament at Hinds in 1978.

*Well, the season is over  
And there is just one more thing  
That I want to say,  
Get out there in this tournament  
And go all the way!*

*There won't be many of your fans there  
But don't think that we forgot,  
Cause you are there representing all of us  
Cause you are the best that we've got!*

*We will be at home thinking of you  
And our nerves will be tight,  
And after you win today  
We will all be there tomorrow night!*

*There is a lot at stake in this game,  
This season has been a long ride;  
Now go out there and do your best;  
And in your self have Pride!*

*You know that you can win this game  
And you know that it is a big test,  
But I know that against any team  
That you are the Best!*

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## **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SINCE 1970 AT EAST CENTRAL**

Most points in a game away .....	45 Diana Lyons 1977 Gulf Coast
Most points in a home game .....	42 Evelyn Bender 1974 Meridian
Most field goals in a game .....	20 Evelyn Bender 1975 Meridian
Most free throws in a game .....	18 for 18 Renee Willis 1973 Hinds
Most rebounds in a game .....	24 Diana Lyons 1977 Gulf Coast & Utica
Most points scored in a career .....	1,081 Evelyn Bender 1974-76 26.7 Average
Most points scored against EC .....	96 Gulf Coast in a double overtime 1977
Most points scored by EC in a single game .....	102 Hinds 1977
<b>1970</b> State Champs - All-State: Debbie Harvey, Forest; Deborah Norwood, Louisville; Rosalyn Rogers, Morton.	
<b>1971</b> All-State: Betty Nester, Lake; Debbie Harvey, Forest.	
<b>1972</b> No Team	
<b>1973</b> State Champs - All-State: Rene Willis, Neshoba Central; Rita Gibbon, Hickory.	
<b>1974</b> 4th in State - All-State: Annette Duncan, Neshoba Central; Gloria Hollingsworth, Scott Academy.	
<b>1975</b> All-State: Evelyn Bender, Newton	
<b>1976</b> State Champs - North Division Champs - All-State: Evelyn Bender, Newton; Diana Lyons, Neshoba Central	
<b>1977</b> 2nd in State - Regular Season - South Division Champs - All-State: Jeannette Barnes, Carthage; Diana Lyons, Neshoba Central; All-Region 7: Jeannette Barnes, Carthage.	
<b>1978</b> 3rd in State - Region 7 Tournament - All-State: Pam Lee, Neshoba Central; All-Region 7: Charlene Jones, Forest; All-Region 7 Tournament Team: Charlene Jones, Forest; Tammie Tadlock, Morton All-Star Game	



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**Former ECJC students who have  
coached in the Mississippi High School  
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1962 - A. J. Kilpatrick - Assistant Coach (North)

1969 - A. J. Kilpatrick - Head Coach (South)  
Tom Cheney - Assistant Coach (North)

1970 - Jim Craig - Assistant Coach (North)

1974 - Jimmy Moore - Assistant Coach (North)

1975 - Charles Allman - Assistant Coach (North)  
Granville Freeman - Assistant Coach (South)

1976 - Charles Allman - Head Coach - (North)

1977 - Gary Risher - Assistant Coach (South)

## **Roy Baker (Deceased) Louisville ECJC 1954-55, 1955-56**

1955 - first place in state in pole vault

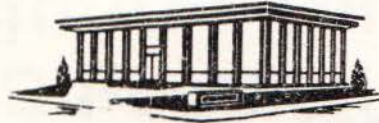
1956 - second place in state in pole vault  
second place in state in broad jump

Roy Baker was greatly interested in track and field events. While he was a student at East Central, he practiced broad jumping and pole vaulting in the afternoon on the front campus in front of the dormitories. When time came for the state track meet, he took the vaulting pole; and although East Central did not field a track team, he caught a ride to the meet, entered himself, and won.

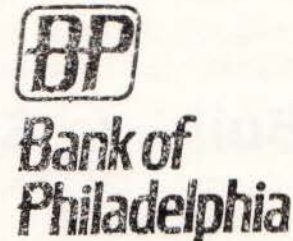
Because of Roy Baker the track rules were changed. A person must now be on a team, and the team must participate in a given number of meets per season in order to participate in the state meet.

All of Roy's practice and his desire to compete in track events were not in vain. He went on to Mississippi College where he was captain of the track team. He ran the 100, 220, and 440 yard dashes, broad jumped, high jumped, and ran anchor on the 440 and mile relay. Roy won 28 first places in nine meets during his junior year and 32 first places in nine meets his senior year. Roy won the 220 yard dash in the Southern AAU and throughout his college career scored more individual points than any other athlete who had attended Mississippi College to that date.





**Good  
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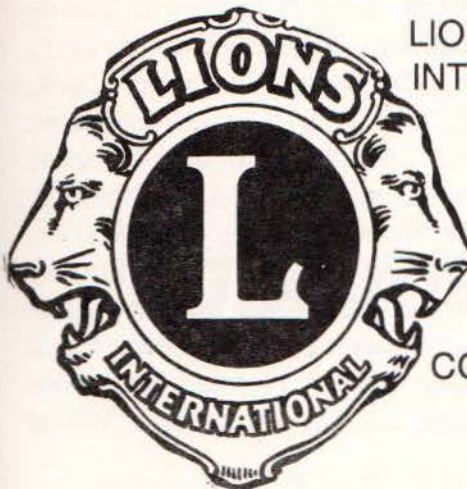


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<p><b><i>Good Luck Teams!</i></b>    <b>Tatum Building Supply</b>  Decatur    <b>Building Materials of all Kinds</b></p>	<p><b>WIN or LOSE</b>    if you play at all you  are a winner    We support the ECJC Teams  <b><i>Happy Anniversary</i></b>    Friends in Union</p>

**Former ECJC Students Coaching at East Central Junior College and the College District the School Year 1978-79:**

Allan Goodin, Louisville; Johnny Pair, Noxapter; Chris Rowell, Philadelphia; Robert Herring, Winston Academy; David Blount, Winston Academy; Ann Reese Hall, Neshoba Central; Steve Cheatham, Neshoba Central; Steve Nelson, Union; Allan Harrison, Beulah Hubbard; James Baucum, Beulah Hubbard; Willis Tullas, Choctaw Central; Larry Robinson, Choctaw Central; Jerry Gressett, Carthage; Britt Dickens, Carthage; Pete Lucovich, Carthage; Raymond Clark, Sebastopol; Kenny Thrash, Sebastopol; Mike Moorhead, Leake Academy; Doyle Wolverton, Leake Academy; Kenny Clark, Decatur; Doyle McMullan, Decatur; Buck McDonald, Decatur; Truman Moore, South Leake; Richard Harris, Hickory; Robert Strebeck, Hickory; Don Stamper, Hickory; Chris Harris, Hickory; Granville Freeman, Lake; Ronnie Wooten, Lake; Gary Risher, Forest; Bill Barham, Forest; Ralph Brown, Forest; Donnie McCrory, Forest; Jimmy Wright, Forest; Jerry Cleveland, Forest; Percy Parker, Morton; Rex Keeton, Morton; Ed Amis, Morton; Jack Taylor, Morton; Robert Cheatham, Scott Central; Sammy Pace, Scott Central; R. L. Gilmer, Scott Central; Rodney Tadlock, Scott Central; Roy Seal, Conehatta Indian School; Herman Robinson, East Central Junior College; Joe Clark, East Central Junior College; Lucille Wood, East Central Junior College.



# **50th Anniversary ECJC Football Team**

Mark Killens, Union; Terry Thrash, Decatur; Ricky Parker, Theodore, AL; Ricky Smith, Forest; Steve Burnett, Philadelphia; Charles Hickman, Nanih Waiya; Ralph Edwards, Forest; Todd Gregory, Carthage; Tim Blackburn, Decatur; Bobby Davis, Morton; Kermit Carpenter, Forest; Willie Hannah, Louisville; Theodore Ealy, Forest; Jim Thomas, Union; Russell Landry, Houma, LA; Donald Ficklin, Morton; Jerry Hatch, Forest; Terry Risher, Citronelle, AL; Wesley Collins, Oxford, AL; Sidney Massey, Noxapater; Andy Brewer, Philadelphia; Rodney Kelly, Noxapater; Mark Bishop, Sebastopol; J. D. Carter, Noxapater; Greg Hawkins, Morton; Douglas Battle, Forest; Rickey Rogillio, Baton Rouge, LA; Mark Kilpatrick, Leak Academy; Rusty Barrett, Baton Rouge, LA; Ronnie Mella, Houma, LA; Robert Hull, South Leake; Luther Anderson, Columbia, AL; Kim Webb, Louisville; Kenneth Whitfield, Louisville; Jerry Tichnell, Philadelphia; Mike Land, Louisville; Mike Lee, Decatur; Dudley Winstead, Edinburg; Alex Ealy, Forest; Bob Holland, Neshoba Central

MANAGERS: Craig Gordon, Keith Palmer, Ronnie Hamrick

COACHES: Ken Pouncey, David Bradberry

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# Facts About ECJC

Location ..... Decatur, Ms.

Year Established .... 1928

Supporting Counties . Leake, Neshoba, Newton, Scott, Winston

Athletic Nicknames . . Warriorettes and Warriors

School Colors. .... Black, Gold, White

Athletic Conference . Mississippi Junior College (South Division), Region VII, National Junior College Athletic Association

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William "Bill" Katrichen - 1940 - University of Southern Mississippi - U. S. M. Sports Hall of Fame - Football

Roland Loper - 1938-40 - Vossburg, Ms. - University of Southern Mississippi - U. S. M. Sports Hall of Fame - Football

Joe Vetrano - 1939, University of Southern Mississippi - pro football with the San Francisco 49 - U. S. M. Sports Hall of Fame

Joe Domnanovitch - 1937-1939 - South Bend, Ind. - University of Alabama - All American in football

Lamar Blount - 1940 - Decatur; Mississippi State University, All - SEC; Duke University, All-Southern Conference; pro football 4 years

Arno Vincent - 1935-37 - Martin; University of Southern Mississippi; U. S. M. Sports Hall of Fame - Football and Basketball

Andrew Webb - 1935-37 - Forest; University of Southern Mississippi; U. S. M. Sports Hall of Fame - Football

Denver Brackeen - 1950, 1953 - Hickory; University of Mississippi. All-SEC, All-American in basketball

Howard Sessums - 1950, 1953 - Harpersville; Mississippi College; All-American; Mississippi College Sports Hall of Fame - basketball

Sue Gunter - 1957-58 - Walnut Grove; Peabody College; coached the 1966 Olympic Women's Basketball Team

Deborah Norwood Duncan - 1969-70 - Louisville; Basketball All-American; played on MSCW's National Championship Team and third in the nation teams

Sam Rutigliano - 1950-51 - Brooklyn, N. Y.; 1978 Head Coach of the Cleveland Browns

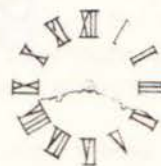
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On to the winning score  
Cheer the good ole Black and Gold boys  
On to victory Rah - Rah - Rah

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We give our love to you—  
Long may we cherish the days spent with thee,  
Happy days of dreams, work, and play  
so carefree—  
Deep in our hearts rests your memories true—  
We give our love to you.

Words by Marguerite Dacey (Faculty) '36  
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There are many people we would like to give thanks for making this 50th anniversary program possible. First we thank the businesses and individuals who responded by placing an ad in our program. Their generous response is appreciated by the basketball teams and the student body.

Others who make a contribution to the program and to who we say thanks are; Mrs. Martha Graham, for the pictures; Mrs. Barbara Deaton and Mrs. Rosemary Adcock for typing copy; Mr. and Mrs. Ovid Vickers for writing and proof reading; Dr. Shelby Harris for designing the front cover; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cross for the early history information and Lorene Wood from Louisville for laying out the ads.

We know there may be errors and many others who should be included in this brief history of sports at East Central. Records were very incomplete, but we made an honest attempt to get some of the history in print with the hopes that other missing information can be added as the years go by.



# The People of Winston County

extend their Best Wishes  
to East Central Junior College  
and its Basketball Teams  
*During this 50th Anniversary Year*

*in appreciation of services the College has rendered to Winston County through:*  
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## EAST CENTRAL JUNIOR COLLEGE Basketball Schedule 1978-79

Nov. 6	Monday	Holmes	There
Nov. 9	Thursday	Meridian	Here
Nov. 13	Monday	MC Junior Varsity	Morton 7:30 Girls
Nov. 17 & 18	Friday and Saturday	Tournament	Gulfcoast Girls
Nov. 20 & 21	Monday and Tuesday	Tournament	Here Boys
Nov. 24 & 25	Friday and Saturday	Tournament	Chipola, Fla. Boys
Nov. 30	Thursday	Jones	There
Dec. 1	Friday	East Miss.	There
Dec. 4	Monday	Southwest	Here
Dec. 7	Thursday	Gulfcoast	There
Dec. 9	Saturday	Holmes	Here
Dec. 11	Monday	Pearl River	There
Dec. 15	Friday	Meridian	There
Jan. 4	Thursday	Southwest	There
Jan. 9	Tuesday	Gulfcoast	Here
Jan. 11	Thursday	Jones	Here
Jan. 16	Tuesday	Co-Lin	There
Jan. 18	Thursday	Hinds	Here
Jan. 22	Monday	Hinds	There
Jan. 25	Thursday	Utica	Here
Jan. 30	Tuesday	Co-Lin	Here
Feb. 1	Thursday	Pearl River	Here
Feb. 5	Monday	Utica	There
Feb. 12-13-14	Mon., Tues., Wed.	Boys South Half	Pearl River
Feb. 15-16-17	Thurs., Fri., Sat.	Girls South Half	East Central
Feb. 19-20	Monday, Tuesday	Boys State	North Division Site
Feb. 21-22	Wednesday and Thursday	Girls State	South Division Site

All home games 6:30 for girls - boys game follows.